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# FACTORIES IN THE VARNA AND PROVADIYA AREAS

## The 1 May Factory - August 1949

1. The 1 May Machine Repair Shop (formerly the Ivan Tashev Factory) is located at the north edge of Provadiya (N 43-11, E 27-27), south of the new Provadiya airfield and opposite the Len Factory. The 1 May Factory is composed of two 1-story buildings. The main building is "L" shaped, with the longer part measuring 30 by 10 meters and the wing measuring 20 by 10 meters. The second building houses the administration offices and spare parts depot.
2. This factory produces agricultural machinery such as harrows (grapi), seed cleaners (vealki), disinfecting equipment (lotri za obezzarazyavanie), and corn shellers (ronachki). It manufactures pump motors and spare parts for threshing machines, reapers, and planting machines, and also repairs all kinds of farm machinery. The factory has the following sections:
  - a. Lathe section;
  - b. Foundry;
  - c. Blacksmith shop;
  - d. Assembly shop;
  - e. Paint shop; and
  - f. Carpentry shop.

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3. [ ] not know the figures concerning monthly or annual production.
4. The factory has the following machines: 25X1
- a. One pneumatic hammer, weight unknown;
  - b. One press;
  - c. Seven forges;
  - d. Three drills, Czech origin;
  - e. One electric hacksaw;
  - f. Three lathes (one "Krasni proletariy" of Soviet make, one "Chernomorets" of Soviet make, and one of Czech make);
  - g. Automatic dies;
  - h. One planer; and
  - i. One band saw;
5. The factory has 200 workers on three shifts. The daily wage is based on a norm. The average wage is 350-400 leva (old currency) per day for the workers and 700 leva (old currency) or more for the section chiefs.
6. Ten persons comprise the administrative staff. Of these, [ ] the following:
- a. Drinchev (fnu) [ ] director of the factory; 25X1
  - b. Khristo Kostadinov Khristov [ ] cashier
  - c. Nadka Ilieva [ ] accountant
  - d. Ivan Stoykov [ ] in charge of the lathe section
  - e. Yordan Kirov [ ] in charge of the foundry;
  - f. Ismail Yuseinov [ ] in charge of the blacksmith shop
7. The factory has a Communist Party organization of about 80 members. The secretary is Ismail Yuseinov (described above). The DSNM has 76 members; its secretary is Ivan Vasilav Dimitrov 25X1

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The Len Spinning Mill - August 1949

8. The Len Spinning Mill is located on the north edge of Provadiya opposite the 1 May Machine Repair Factory. Its eastern boundary is the Vetrino-Provadiya road. This factory existed prior to 9 September 1944. It is composed of three buildings; the spinning section is located in a 1-story "L" shaped building which faces the street.
9. About 450 women work in the factory in three shifts. The wage is based on a norm.

The Vasil Kolarov State Machine Building Shop - August 1949

10. The Vasil Kolarov Factory is located in Varna, on the east shore of the lake just east of the railroad and north of the Koralovag Shipyards. Prior to 9 September 1944, this plant was known as the Chernomore (Black Sea) plant. The factory area has a concrete wall on the east side and barbed wire on the north and south sides. The area measures 150-200 meters by 50-80 meters. There are five 1-story buildings, one of which is the administration building.
11. The plant has the following sections:
  - a. Foundry, with Atanas Dimitrov in charge; 25X1
  - b. Lathe section, with Vasil Zhelev in charge
  - c. Locksmith section;
  - d. Assembly section;
  - e. Boiler section;
  - f. Blacksmith section, with Rusi Zhakov in charge 25X1
  - g. Carpentry section; and
  - h. Electricians' section.
12. The Vasil Kolarov Plant manufactures multiple valves, tapered roller bearings, press bodies (about two tons), tractor heads, truck engine blocks, truck engine pistons, tractor engine pistons, cam shafts, bolts and nuts, cog wheels, spare parts for lathes, and riveting machines. It is rumored that the plant is also to manufacture diesel engines. In addition to manufacturing the items mentioned, the plant also repairs all kinds of machinery.
13. Six or seven hundred workers are employed in three shifts per day. The administrative staff consists of 20 persons.
14. The plant has the following machines:
  - a. "Bolvert" milling machine;

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- b. "Hovel" (Czech) lathe for rough shaping;
- c. "Bandazh" (Czech) lathe for rough shaping;
- d. Horizontal grinding machine (Czech);
- e. Vertical grinding machine (Czech) for engine water jackets;
- f. Seven "Volman" large lathes;
- g. Six "Volman" small lathes;
- h. One "Krasni Proletariy" (Soviet) lathe;
- i. Two "Cherno More" (Bulgarian) lathes;
- j. Three shaping machines (Czech);
- k. One "Cherno More" (Bulgarian) shaping machine;
- l. Three large threading machines (Czech);
- m. Two large drills (Czech);
- n. One small drill (Czech);
- o. Two electric hacksaws;
- p. One band saw;
- q. Two planers;
- r. One punch press;
- s. One large pneumatic hammer; and
- t. One small pneumatic hammer.

15. [ ] the following members of the administrative staff:

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- a. Stoyanov (fnu), [ ] director of the plant [ ]
- b. Dimitŭr Paskalev, [ ] in charge of "Kadri," [ ]
- c. Kostov (fnu) [ ] cashier; he is short [ ]
- d. Kostadinka Beloeva [ ] assistant cashier [ ]

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e. Iliev (fnu) [redacted] designer; [redacted]

f. Ivanov (fnu) [redacted] technician; [redacted]

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16. The plant has a Communist Party organization with Kosta Ivanov Iliev (head of the lathe section) as secretary.

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[redacted] The DSNM has 260 members with Stefan Nikolov as secretary. [redacted] he works in the lathe section.

17. [redacted] No products of the plant have been shipped to the USSR or any other foreign country.

18. The median salary of a worker of grade 5 (unexplained) is 12,000 leva (old currency) per month, while master workers earn more than 80,000 leva (old currency) per month.

19. The Vasil Kolarov Plant could easily be converted to war production.

The Korbso Shipyards - August 1949 and as Indicated

20. The Korbso Shipbuilding Union in Varna in 1948 consisted of the following shipbuilding plants and shops:

a. The Georgi Dimitrov Shipyard, located on the seashore about 700 meters south of the railroad station in Varna; it is in the industrial quarter, south of the Zora Factory and southwest of the Metal Stove Factory and the Red Star Factory; the north side and the southwest corner of the plant are bounded by a concrete wall, while the rest of the area is fenced by barbed wire:

(1) There are four large and several small buildings in this area. The four large buildings are equal in size. They house the administration, carpentry, lathe, and boiler sections.

(2) The plant was manufacturing barges, and in 1948, three barges of 1,000 tons each were under construction.

(3) The plant has the following sections: (a) Carpentry. (b) Boiler, with Chesmedzhiev (fnu) [redacted] in charge. (c) Lathe. (d) Foundry. (e) Blacksmith. (f) Welding.

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(4) In 1948 the plant employed 3,000 workers. [redacted] the boiler section worked only one shift per day.

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(5) Stoyan Pavlov [redacted] director of the plant and later president of the City or Okoliva People's Council [redacted]

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b. Koralovag Shipyards, located south of the Vasil Kolarov Plant on the shore of Varna Lake and the canal; it had (sic) the floating dock "Bulgaria", which is 50 meters long;

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- c. Neptun State Shipbuilding Enterprise, which builds small wooden craft and does all the wood work for Korbso; and
- d. Shipbuilding yard for concrete tankers, located on the southeast side of the intersection of the Varna-Asparukhovo road and the canal; concrete tankers are built in the open; in the summer of 1951, two concrete tankers 50-60 meters long were under construction; it was rumored that Soviets were employed at this yard as administrative workers.

## GRAIN STORAGE AT GARA SINDEL

Grain Storage at Gara Sindel, Provadiya Okoliya - 15 November 1952

- 21. There are five State grain storehouses at Gara Sindel (N 43-06, E 27-39), where grain collected by RKS (Regional Cooperative Union) of Provadiya is stored. It takes the quotas from the villages of Trústikovo, Sindel, Sultantsi, and Dúbravina, Provadiya Okoliya, and Yunak, Kazashka Reka, and Momino, Varna Okoliya.
- 22. The first grain storehouse is located approximately 100 meters north of the railroad station of Sindel and adjacent to the railroad track, where it has a loading ramp. The storehouse is a 1-story building, about 40 by 20 by four meters in size, and is used chiefly for storing wheat.
- 23. The second storehouse, used for storing corn, is located 50 meters northwest of the Sindel station and 60 meters southwest of the first storehouse. It is a 1-story building about 30 by 15 by four meters in size. There is a building used as a dryer located beside this building.
- 24. The third storehouse is located 10 meters south of the second and 30 meters northwest of the railroad station. It is a 1-story building approximately 30 by 20 by four meters in size and is used for storing wheat and barley.
- 25. The fourth storehouse, used for seeds for oats, sunflowers, flax, hemp, and hay crops, is located 70 meters south of the railroad station and adjoining the village council building. This building is one story high and measures about 20 by 12 by 10 meters.
- 26. The fifth storehouse is located 70 meters east of the fourth and 20 meters east of the railroad track. It is a 1-story building, formerly a mill, and measures approximately 60 by 20 by 12 meters. Corn, sunflower seeds, wheat, and barley are stored in this building.
- 27. All these storehouses belong to the RKS of Provadiya.  on 15 November 1952 the storehouses were full. Subsequently railroad cars were loaded with grain, indicating that the storehouses were not intended for permanent storage of reserve stocks of grain. Additional RKS-Provadiya storehouses are located at Gara Zhitnitsa, Provadiya Okoliya. 25X1  
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- 28. The warehouses at Sindel are guarded by three sentries, one for the first three storehouses and one for each of the other two. The guard detail consists of a total of seven men, four from Trústikovo, Provadiya Okoliya;  identified Ivan Khristov, Gicho Atanasov, Nikola Yanev Todorov, and Kolyn Stoyanov of Trústikovo. 25X1

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29. The director of the Sindel branch of the Provadiya RKS is Georzi (lrm). known as "Mizara."



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